

### R E M A R K S

Careful review and examination of the subject application are noted and appreciated. Applicants' representative thanks Examiner Wang for the indication of allowable matter.

### CLAIM REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §103

The rejection of claims 1-4, 7, 8, 12-15, 19 and 20 under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being unpatentable over Wilbrod '300 in view of Tarrab '093 has been obviated by appropriate amendment and should be withdrawn.

The allowable matter of claim 9 has been incorporated into claim 1. Matter similar to the allowable matter of claim 9 has been incorporated into claim 14. The allowable matter of claim 16 has been incorporated into claim 15. The allowable matter of claim 17 has been incorporated into newly presented claim 21. The allowable matter of claim 5 has been incorporated into newly presented claim 22.

As such, the presently claimed invention is fully patentable over the cited references and the rejection should be withdrawn.

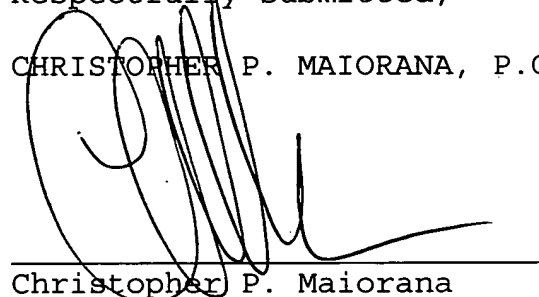
Accordingly, the present application is in condition for allowance. Early and favorable action by the Examiner is respectfully solicited.

The Examiner is respectfully invited to call the Applicants' representative should it be deemed beneficial to further advance prosecution of the application.

If any additional fees are due, please charge our office Account No. 50-0541.

Respectfully submitted,

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